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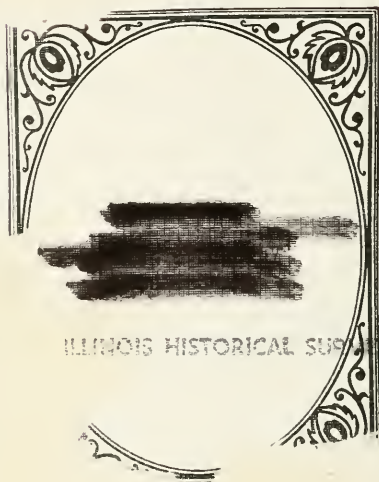
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## Centennial Board



Seated left to right: Betty DeVore, Betty Brown, Betty Osborne, Phyllis Bales, Secretary; Jacque Baer, Treasurer; Standing: Charlotte Scott, Bob Wolfe, Bob Gibson, Harold Ponder, President; and Paul Willey.

After two January meetings at the junior high school's lunch room ten people started with a goal for a centennial. It was, have something for everyone and hold the costs to a minimum. This was all the knowledge about centennial planning we had, with everything else to be learned as we went along. There were many long straining board meetings. At times patience and understanding for other views were less than what it could have been.

No outside planners were hired, all parade entries came on their own, and everyone participated because they wanted to. The people of the Hammond area made this centennial what it was. Thanks!, all of you, for again making Hammond, "The Best Little Town In The Cornbelt."



# VILLAGE OF HAMMOND

Piatt County  
Hammond, Illinois



Friends of our Community:

On behalf of the Village President and the entire Board of Trustees, we would like to extend our personal thanks for a job well done. It was gratifying to personally observe what a small community the size of Hammond can really accomplish when the efforts of all were combined to make our Centennial an overwhelming success.

A special thanks is deserving to each property owner for their part in the final manicure to their property during the Centennial week-end.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P. R. Willey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "P" and "W".

P. R. Willey  
Village President



STATE OF ILLINOIS  
**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**  
SPRINGFIELD 62706

DAN WALKER  
GOVERNOR

July 18, 1973

Mrs. Phyllis Bales  
Box 327  
Hammond, Illinois 61929

Dear Mrs. Bales:

Enclosed please find the photograph you requested ... Good luck with the Centennial Celebration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Dan Walker*

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON


July 19, 1973

TO THE CITIZENS OF HAMMOND, ILLINOIS

The observance of your 100th anniversary is an occasion of deep pride for you, the State of Illinois, and for our nation.

Three years from now America will celebrate its 200th anniversary. What kind of nation we will be, what kind of a world we will live in will be determined by the actions and choices of communities like Hammond. You have a rich heritage and exciting prospects for the future, and I know you can be counted on to take the best of the past -- and build on it in a way that will make all Americans proud.

Congratulations and best wishes to each of you.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard Nixon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" and last name "Nixon" clearly distinguishable.





#### SCRAPBOOK COMMITTEE

Seated: Gelene Fleener, Chm.,  
Maude Silver, Grace Moberly.  
Standing: Bobbie Long, Eleanor  
Helfrich, Debbie Dial, Bertha  
Parsley, Karen Hodge and  
Helen Harding.

#### HISTORY BOOK

Seated: Ann Sawyer, Mary  
Evans, Charlotte Scott and Jen-  
nie Legge. Standing: Paul  
Fleener and Bob Gibson, Jr.



#### COOKBOOK

Seated: Bob Wolfe. Standing:  
Debbie Dick, Linda Foreman,  
Phyllis Bales, Jacque Baer, Kay  
Arbuckle and Mary Ellen Baer.  
Not present: Jan Sawyer, Cathy  
Casteel, Chris Lowe, Bev  
Lowe, Betty Brown, Betty De-  
Vore and Darlene Peiper.



### Mary Kay Helfrich Randall

We would like to give special recognition to the designer and artist of our Centennial Seal.

It was her own original idea and she produced it in a few days notice. This seal has been used on signs, history books, charms, key chains, coasters, floats, coins (both silver and bronze), cakes, etc.

Thank you Mary Kay for sharing your talent with us and making this a part of history to our "greatest little town in the cornbelt."



### Paul and Juanita Fleener OFFICIAL CENTENNIAL PHOTOGRAPHERS

At this time we would like to give a special tribute and a big thanks to Paul and Juanita.

You have done an outstanding job in covering our centennial year events and especially for the three day celebration coverage.

It must have been a hectic, nerve-wracking and strenuous job to be two places at once. The parade coverage and pictures are excellent.

Our hope is that it was as rewarding an experience for you as it is for us as we assemble this scrapbook. For without the pictures, this scrapbook would be nothing.

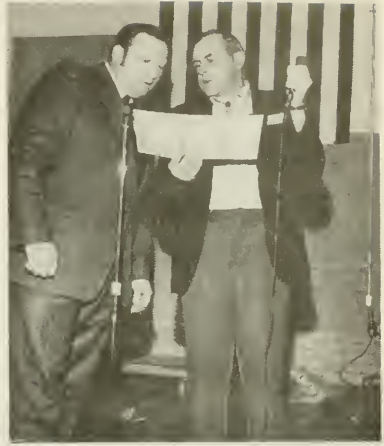


# Centennial Kick-Off Supper



**KICK-OFF COMMITTEE**

Seated: Frances Traxler, Charlie Fleener, Miriam Ca-  
tron, Bob Wolfe and Darlene  
Standing: Bertha Ashwell, Pieper.

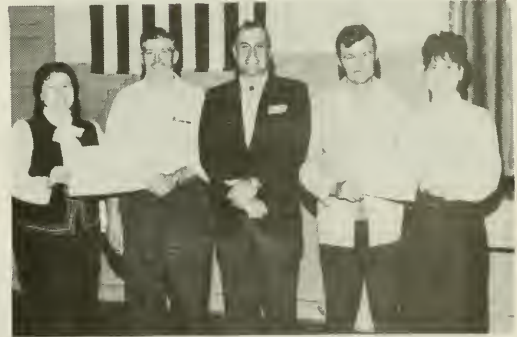


Hugh Kirkwood, Auctioneer, and  
George Ruff getting ready to  
auction stock.



Auctioning Stock

Potluck Supper



Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Adcock, No. 1 Stock, Hugh  
Kirkwood, Auctioneer. Mr. and Mrs. Dean  
DeVore, No. 100.





## STOCK SOLICITORS

Seated: Cheryl Fentress, Betty Brown, Kay Dick. Standing: Fran Barnett, Teresa Lowe, Alene Fleener, Janice Glover, Marlene Corman and Mary Conner, Chm. Not present: Sue Binder, Margine Bryson, Janice Canull, Norma Rigg, Charlene Stutzman and Dorcas Slade.



Swearing in the Sheriff



Swearing in the Deputies



The "Big Boss"



Deputies -- Donald Chenoweth, Sheriff, Burb Bolin, Chris Lowe, Cathy Casteel, Lyle Adcock and Carl Pieper



# **BROTHER OF THE BRUSH COMMITTEE**

Left to right: Phil Baer, David Dial, Al Long, Richard Swearingen and Dean Day.

## *Brothers Of Brush Breakfast*



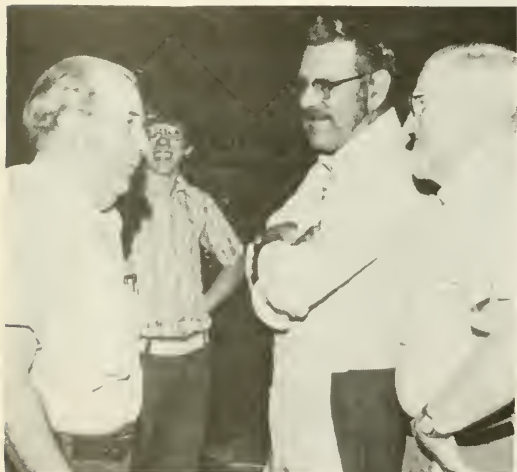
Chef David Dial shows his eggs to helpers Al Long and Jim Bales.



Brothers of the Brush? Teresa, Marlene, Betty D., Betty B. and Betty L. lend a hand with biscuits.



Sure is nice to get the men in the kitchen! Isn't it good?



Coffee break at breakfast? Just resting and visiting.



Hey, don't let my wife see me!



WE DID IT! It may take us all, but let's don't make a habit of it.





### CENTENNIAL BELLES

Carolyn Ruff, Joann Fisher, Mary Ellen Baer, Chm.; Barbara Swearingen, Esther Wallace and Rhonda Burcham.

## *Centennial Belles' Tea*



Esther and Joann show off their garters.

**MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Hammond  
**BRADS JEWELRY & GIFTS, INC.**



Belles taking orders and selling buttons.

**KAISER ABSTRACT COMPANY**  
Monticello  
**PROGRESS INDUSTRIES, INC.**



A few of the ladies that attended the Tea in centennial attire. Katy Hayes, Mary Evans, Frances Baer, Sherilyn Fisher, Juanita Fleener, Esther Willey, Helen Harding and Betty Brown.



Gelene Fleener, front, and Helen Harding, back ordering their frocks at the Tea.

The Belles held an Ice Cream Social for the community, but Fleeners weren't able to take pictures for this occasion as they had previous commitments. We had another party

take pictures and they were either lost in printing or the camera wasn't working properly, therefore we have no pictures of this and for this we are sorry.

*1st Federal Savings & Loan Assc.  
Tuscola*

*Pierson Grain & Supply Co.  
Pierson Sta.*

Lyle Adcock  
 Mark Adcock  
 Mike Ferguson  
 Polly Ferguson  
 Helen Harding  
 Charles Fleener  
 Sam Dick  
 Paul Fleener  
 Judy Fleener  
 Rose Ann Fleener  
 Tony Fleener  
 George Ruff  
 Kenny Ruff  
 Verlyn Bolin  
 Ira Davis  
 Chris Lowe  
 State Bank of Hammond  
 Dean DeVore Family  
 Earl Legge  
 Genevieve Legge  
 Harry & Louise Primmer  
 Ferne Gibson  
 James R. Gibson  
 Wilbur A. Decker  
 Lynn Larson  
 Georgia Larson  
 Janice & Ted Bryon  
 Derek Dowdell  
 James R. Gibson, Jr.  
 Harold Ponder  
 Jim Ponder  
 Kristine Ponder  
 Katana Flanagan  
 Paul Evans  
 Richard Evans  
 Jim & Phyllis Bales  
 Debra A. Bales  
 Rebecca E. Bales  
 David Adcock  
 Wendell & Harriet Bolin  
 Harriet Bolin  
 Audrey Bolin  
 Kent Brown  
 Anthony Brown  
 James & Nicki Hodge  
 Tammy Hodge  
 Phillip C. Baer  
 Jacque L. Baer  
 Melanie S. Baer  
 Michael Carl Baer  
 Michelle Renee Baer  
 Bill & Kay Arbuckle  
 Kurt Arbuckle  
 Kim Arbuckle  
 Robert & Lois Wolfe  
 Margaret Wolfe  
 Marilyn Wolfe

## Stockholders

Hiram Patterson  
 Chrystal Ann Lowe  
 Sonya Fleener  
 James & Gelene Fleener  
 John Binder  
 Sue A. Binder  
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 Sam Alexander  
 John Burcham  
 Eugene Ferguson  
 Paula Ferguson  
 Bert Dyer  
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 Stephen D. Yeakley  
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 Miriam M. Catron  
 Kenneth B. Catron  
 Martin R. Catron  
 Joe Ponder  
 Russell Wilkerson  
 Ethel Wilkerson  
 W. J. Fisher  
 Jim Sykes  
 Minnie Auer  
 Richard Gentry  
 Esther Wallace  
 Dean Mahannah  
 Harold Montgomery  
 Helen Montgomery  
 Lyle Wilkinson  
 David Dial  
 Herbert Ashwell  
 David Glover  
 Loran Patrick  
 Flossie Helfrich  
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 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rigg  
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 Michelle Canull  
 Robin Canull  
 Jana Canull  
 Carl Canull  
 Richard Cox  
 Sherlyn & Butch Fisher  
 Chuck Fisher

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 Henry Larson  
 Bob Bryson  
 Leland Lust  
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 Raymond Barcus  
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 Frank Mauck  
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 Linn Bryson  
 Herman Hooker  
 Clarence Day  
 Thecla Curry  
 Mary Curry  
 Everett Fisher  
 Harold Burcham  
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 Henry Bolsen  
 Fay Bolsen  
 Robert Smith  
 Theresa Smith  
 Michelle Smith  
 Renee Smith  
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 Maud E. Ponder  
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rigg  
 Ruth Doran  
 Marley Reed  
 Glenn Fisher  
 Joann Fisher  
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 Jan Comer  
 Carol Clark  
 Eldon Bobbett  
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 Darlene Kerns  
 Charles Bobbett  
 Mary Bobbett  
 Pauline Bobbett  
 Bob Thomas  
 Bob & Dorothy Moore  
 Nanna Belle Simmons  
 Ronald Alexander  
 Rosalyn Alexander  
 Lisa Alexander  
 Fred Andrew Alexander  
 L. Adams  
 Michelle Adams



**HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE**  
Dorothy Cole, Charlotte Kellogg and Esther Willey, Chm.



Cake made by Bev Lowe was raffled off the day Headquarters opened. Winners were Kurt Arbuckle and Sonya Fleener.



Getting ready for business.  
Front: Helen Harding. Behind counter: Melba Wilkinson and Charlotte Scott.



**THE STATE BANK OF HAMMOND**





Watching the pig roast and helping in one way or another are Orville Scott, Lyle Wilkinson, Willy Fisher and Lewis Moberly.



Looks like it might be just about done.



Time out from eating--look at the birdie--now you can finish and visit with your neighbor.

**CARL I. & WM. C. GLASGOW**  
*Monticello*  
**ASCHERMANN MOTOR CO.**  
*Arthur*

**O.K. JOBBERS AUTO &  
 IMPLEMENT SUPPLY**  
*Sullivan*  
**MARBRY & CONNOR, INC.**  
*Robinson*



The line starts here Grace Moberly, at rear, tells others.



Even the Sheriff and his wife like pig!



These two pigs were roasted for Saturday night's supper of the three day celebration. About 600 were served. Left to right are Bob Boylan, Orville West, Lyle W. Sam Dick, Gerald Parsons, Dick Gentry and Harold Davis.



# *July 27, 28, 29, 1973*

## *3 Day Celebration*



Entering Hammond from the west.



Entering Hammond from the east.



Looking north up Main Street.



Our street decorations and banners were erected by the Natural Gas Pipeline Company of

America compliments of the "Community Minded Industry"



**MR. & MRS HAMMOND**  
 Mrs. Ward (Maude) Silver  
 Mr. Charlie Fleener



**HAMMOND CENTENNIAL FAMILY**  
 Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Arbuckle  
 Kim and Kurt



Mr. Hammond's acceptance & thanks.

**DON BROWN & ASSOCIATES**  
*Hammond*  
**WOODWORTH & SONS, INC.**  
*Tolono*



Mrs. Hammond's acceptance & thanks.

**FUNK INSURANCE AGENCY**  
*Atwood*  
**J. R. HEATH & SON CO.**  
*Monticello*

## Special Recognition



Thanks Roberta Hodge for the art work on the stage background.



Thank you Parade Judges, Darrell Bolin, Mrs. Mary Born and Mr. Ray Henry.



Thanks Unity Township crew for your extra work on the day of the parade.



Phil and Emerson work on Reviewing Stand.



**DELBERT'S CLOTHING**

### SET-UP COMMITTEE

Terry Barnett, Jim Bales and Phil Baer. Not present: Bob Hodge, Dick Gentry, Dean DeVore, Harold Montgomery and Emerson Wert. The set up crew did reviewing stand and stage.

**THE VILLA**

# Style Show



## STYLE SHOW COMMITTEE

Left to right: Maxine Decker, Helen Gentry, Chm; Edith Duke, Beth Fisher, Polly Ferguson, Virginia Ponder and Pauline Dick. Pauline wrote the narration for the style show.



Tammy and Nicki Hodge



Valarie Sue Chenoweth and Melissa Kurr



Sherilyn & Chuck Fisher, Rhonda & Ryan Burcham



Little girls and their dolls, left to right: Tammy Hodge, Tammy Helton, Lynette Robertson, Dawn Dial.





Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Decker



Mrs. Jan Sawyer



Linda Foreman



Mr. and Mrs. Olan Dukeman



Mrs. Bobbie Long and  
daughter, Stacey



Joe, Margie, Marilyn Wolfe and Richard Ruff



Audience is amused by old styles.



Debbie DeVore, Nancy Pieper and Chris Lowe, our bathing beauties.



Cathy Casteel in her mother's wedding dress.



Mrs. Marcia Willey Patterson and daughter, Christine.

**WHEELINN MOTEL**  
*LaPlace*  
**EFFINGHAM EQUITY**  
*Effingham*

**JODIE LEE SHOP**  
*Bement*  
**ESKRIDGE AGENCY, INC.**  
*Hammond*





Kristine Ponder and Katana  
Flanagan Ponder



Harriett Bolin Holmes



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnett



Darcy and Debbie Dial

**S. R. BORN FUNERAL-  
SERVICE & FURNITURE**  
*Atwood*  
**ATWOOD GRAIN & SUPPLY CO.**  
*Atwood*



Thelma Huffman and Mike Fer-  
guson.

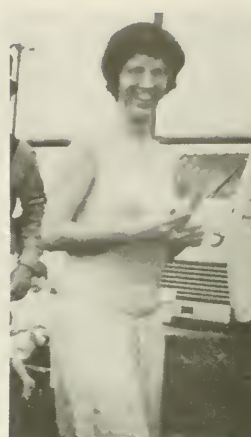
**STATE BANK OF ARTHUR**  
*Arthur*  
**DON MORR EQUIPMENT CO.**  
*LaPlace*



Vicki Daugherty



Joann Fisher



Mary Ellen Baer



Mildred Edmundson and Polly Ferguson



Leora Binder



Betty DeVore



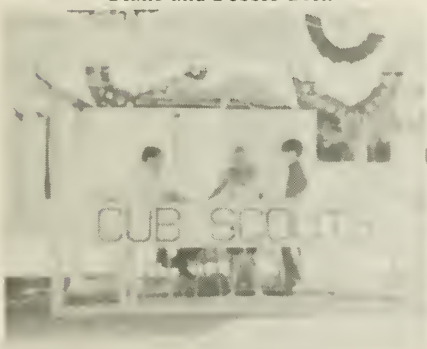
Entire Style Show cast



Diane and Debbie Dick



George Ruff, Teddy Day, Betty Brown and Wilbur Decker



Cub Scouts Concession Stand



The Wedding Party



**CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE** Seated: Jim Smith, chm; Harold Huffman, Joe Ponder. Standing: Margaret Murphy, Melba Wilkinson. Not present, Mike Ferguson.



Boy Scouts Concession Stand

## *Centennial Sponsors*

The Arthur Cheese Co.  
Arthur, Ill.

Dr. William D. Brown  
Arthur, Ill.

Nofrey Bros. Olds.  
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Dr. E. Bradford  
Optometrist  
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Arthur, Ill.

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Arthur, Ill.

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Arthur, Ill.

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Arthur, Ill.

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Atwood, Ill.

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Blue Mill, Inc.  
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Hammond, Ill.

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Hammond, Ill.

Rost Chevrolet Sales  
Hammond, Ill.

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Pioneer Brand Seeds  
Hammond, Ill.

Scout Troop 78  
Hammond, Ill.



## *Centennial Sponsors*

Citizens National Bank  
Decatur, Ill.

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Decatur, Ill.

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Decatur, Ill.

Fleener & Roberts Garage  
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Hammond, Ill.

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Thelma Conour  
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Urbana, Ill.

Thanks:  
The Hammond United Methodist  
donated the use of their mimeo-  
graph machine for several pro-  
jects the centennial had, such as  
advertising letters, cookbooks,  
worship service programs and  
other things we may not be  
aware of. Also, for the use of  
their basement for Saturday's  
lunch.

# Talent Show

As a joke Mrs. Bob (Frances) Traxler wrote Mr. Roberts, WCIA Weather Man, about nice weather for our Centennial. This is his reply.

A MEMO FROM



MR. ROBERTS

July 24, 1973

Dear Mrs. Traxler:

Bad as the weather was for the Arthur Fair, it could have been worse with the storms we have had this week.

Unfortunately, there is little I can do about such matters, for I am in Sales-- and HE is in Management!

Mrs. Roberts and I have been invited to the theatre at Sullivan next Saturday, and I am afraid that I won't be able to attend the Hammond Centennial unless our hosts can be persuaded to make a small detour. If I can, I'll look you up. Thank you for inviting me.

At present, the forecast indicates that the showers and thunderstorms should be ending Friday, and Saturday should be free of rain.

Best wishes,

Mr. Roberts  
WCIA Weather



Rod Nicholls

Mrs. Traxler also wrote the following song for Rod & Hammondites. Tune--This Land Is My Land.

## OUR TOWN

This town is your town  
This town is mine,  
From the old red crib  
To the County line.  
It's stood a century  
It'll stand one more,  
And go right on  
As it has before

It knew our Grandads  
They saw it begun,  
And now it's run  
By the great grandsons,  
Shake hands with your  
Neighbor  
The one on your right  
And say I'm glad  
I'm a Hammondite.

## Talent Committee:

Frances Traxler, Betty  
Long and Chm. Lois Wolfe.  
Not present: Carol Smith,  
Kathy Bolseri and Lonnie  
Conner.







Joe Wolfe, George Ruff, Dick Brown and Ronnie Eagan



Paula Brown and Sherrie Long piano duet.



Julie and Amy Ping, from Pontiac, doing a tap number.

Granddaughters of Earl and Ginny Legge.



Esther Willey, Patriotic Reading.



Crowd watches talent show.



Esther Willey calls Primmer's bluff.



Hank Haynes and sons from Bearsdale.



Bunco Bunnies



Left to right: Cathy Casteel, Keith Standerfer, Cheryl Ruff, Mark Smith, Chris Lowe and Joe Wolfe.



Two above pictures are Magic Show.

## Children's Parade



### PARADE COMMITTEE

Nicki Hodge, Randy Decker, Kay Arbuckle. Standing: Debbie Bales, Terry Barnett, Katy Hayes and Renee Hodge, Co-Chm; and Kim Standerfer. Not present: Carolyn Gee, Kenny Ruff and Steve Helfrich.



Carl, Donna and Mark Evans



Mike Day and Valerie Perkins in Pioneer Seed Corn Covered Wagon.



"Win a Mini-Bike" from Arthur

**GILBERT BROS**  
Mansfield  
**SERVICE EQUIPMENT CO. INC.**  
Mattoon

**BROWN SHOE CO. INC.**  
Sullivan  
**THE BROWN JUG, INC.**  
Decatur





Youngsters on decorated bikes



Angie Smith from Warrensburg



Tim, Mike and Karen Sawyer



The Legge's



Swearingen and Hayes Float





Fleener Photo Pony Hitch with owner, Paul, and grandson, Scotty Brian.



Mike Day and Valerie Perkins in covered wagon made from Pioneer Seed Corn sacks. Mike's great-grandfather was first Pioneer salesman in Unity Township. Nannette Day on tractor.



Jimmy Ponder pushes his sister, Kristine in their father's baby buggy.



Hammond Cub Scout troop with Frances Traxler as drill instructor.

## Parade



### PARADE COMMITTEE

Seated: Lewis Moberly, Everett Fisher, Bob Lowe. 1st row standing: Sue Chenoweth, Vanice Bolin, Bertha Ashwell, Lois Lowe. 2nd row: Dick Brown, Bert Dyer, Jim Fleen-er, Gerald Wildman. Not present: Robert Canull, John Burcham and Glenn Bateman. Co-Chairmen were Bob and Lois Lowe. They would like to thank Mike & Polly Ferguson, Emerson Wert, Jim Bales and Phil Baer for all their help even though they weren't on the committee.



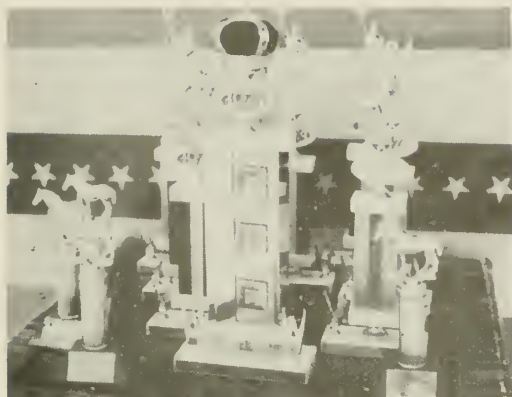
Bob and Lois going over last details.



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Willey waiting to be introduced.



The crowd anxiously awaits for the parade to begin.



Trophies to be given to winners



Parade judges and trophies.



Mr. & Mrs. Hammond arrive at the Reviewing Stand.



Mr. & Mrs. Hammond approach Reviewing Stand.



Candy even for the adults.



Respect is paid while the "National Anthem" is played.





Hometown boy, Charles Fleener, awaits with great pleasure.



"We're all seated, on with the parade!"



"Boy, it's getting hot! Hurry"



Looks like a family reunion on this corner.



Sure is nice in the shade of the building. Hope the fire truck doesn't need out.





Grand Prize Winner--United Church of Atwood--Youth Fellowship



Atwood Boy Scouts



Hammond Missionary Baptist Church



A surprise float for Jim Bales.



Anyone remember those days?



HAMMOND CENTENNIAL FAMILY Mr. & Mrs. Wm.  
Arbuckle, Kim and Kurt



LaPlace Methodist Church



Lake Fork Church--Atwood



Strasburg announces their Centennial in 1974.



Hammond Depot Float



Bellringers



Best Decorated Float--Atwood Legion & Auxiliary



4-H Clubs, Hi-De-Ho's & Wildcats



Pierson Station Church





Hammond Boy Scouts



Hammond MYF



Hammond Shell Cafe



Eastern Star - - Atwood



God's Clown





1st Place Drum Corps--The Douglas Center--Champaign, Ill.



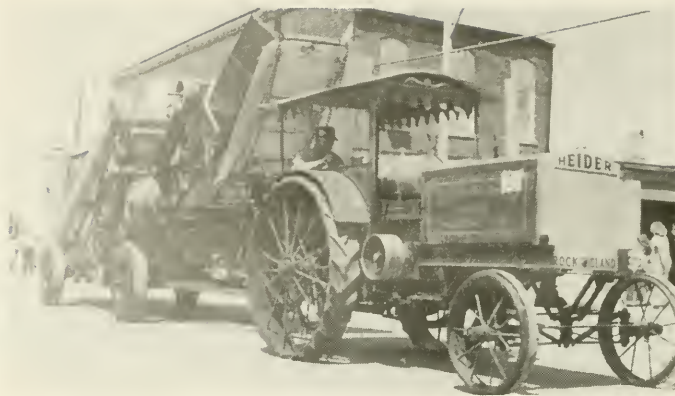
Ansar Oriental--Decatur



Zohak Grotto Band, Decatur



All Gutts Band, Arthur



1st Place Antique Machinery-- Wm. Bragg -- Atwood  
1917 Heider Tractor



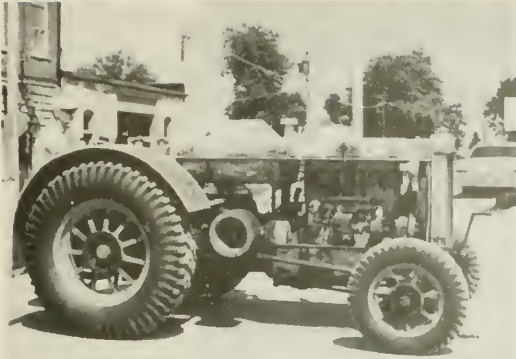
Allis Chalmer Tractor owned by Samson--Tolono.



1928 John Deere--Willoughby Imp. Co.--Arthur.



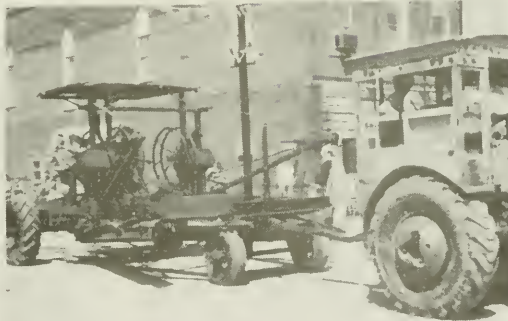
1930 Allis Chalmer Tractor-- Rittenhouse--Bement



Gas tractor owned by Herb Beckmeyer--Tolono



1 row pinto shovel from White Heath--Mr. Harry Perry



Old Road Grader



1918, 30-6-Alton Taylor owned by Rittenhouse--Bement



Mike & Polly Ferguson were great help in lining up the parade. Thanks.





1st Place--Hammond Centennial Band



Centennial band and majorettes



Clown--Jim Paglino



Bob West & Tim Murphy in People Powered Car



Clowns--Steve Bright and Chris Lowe





Best Color Guard Unit--Atwood American Legion



Color Guard--Bement Legion



Hammond Color Guard



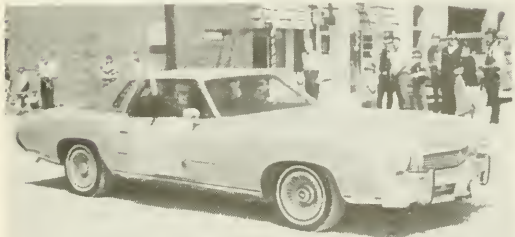
Wheel Rig--Drawn by 5 Siberian Husky dogs--Warrensburg



"From a group of Neighbors" Tuscola



Patti Conlin -- Miss Arthur, Moultrie-Douglas  
County Fair Queen 1973



Lovington Mayor--Mr. Dahm



Bement Mayor--Mr. Foran



Chrysler Convertible--Yakey's



Carol Lust--1971 Fair Queen



1st Place--Roy Thompson With Pony Hitch--Arcola, Ill.



2nd Place--Kathy Romine, Side Saddle Rider--Tuscola, Ill.

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3rd Place--Everett Fisher, Roadster Mare--Hammond



4th Place--Wm. Miller With Pony Hitch--Sullivan

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1st Place Horse Drawn Caliope From The 101 Ranch Show--  
Owned by Harry & Louise Primmer, Clinton, Ill.



Charles Luck--One Horse Wagon--Atwood



Rick Chenoweth & Dwight Bolin



Butch, Sherilyn & Chuck Fisher



Fleener Photo Pony Hitch. Mrs. Paul Fleener riding in back and driver Brown Rivers; grand daughters, Kris & Angie Smith.



Stagecoach -- owned by Barb Cox



Horse drawn calliope



Piatt Co. Democrat Women, wagon pulled by team of mules.



Pony Hitch--Frank Rand--Sullivan



Covered Wagon--Driven by Mr. Walter Schable--Atwood, with Mrs. Schable and neighbors.



Glenn Fisher riding "Pepper"



Horse and Buggy--Bolson's





1st Place Antique Car--1912 EM Owned By Frank King  
From Oakley



Model A owned and driven by David Corman--Mt. Zion



1925 Oakland--Original Condition, Owned & Driven  
by Walter Morris--Bement



1962 Volks remodeled with fiberglass Rolls -  
Royce Kit & owned by Jim Fleener.





Jim Sparks--Atwood



Model T owned by Henry Woodard--Milmine



1937 Ford owned by David Corman--Mt. Zion--Driver, Marvin Sieh



1929 Rio--Mr. Copeland from Decatur



1925 Model T Ford--owner, John E. Browning--Arthur



5 Foot Model T Ford owned and driven by Orville Scott-- Hammond



Hupmobile--Bridges Sales & Service--Windsor



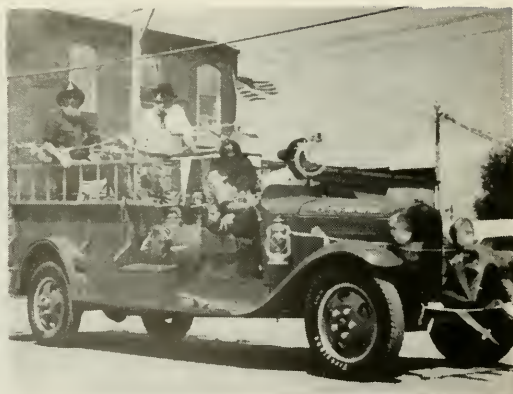
Model A owned by David Corman--Driver John Binder



1936 Chevrolet -- Hammond Fire Truck -- Driver, Jim Hodge



1934 GMC owned by Rittenhouse--Bement



1937 Atwood Fire Department



Bethany Fire Department Driver, Melvin Utsler



Central Illinois Light Co. Display

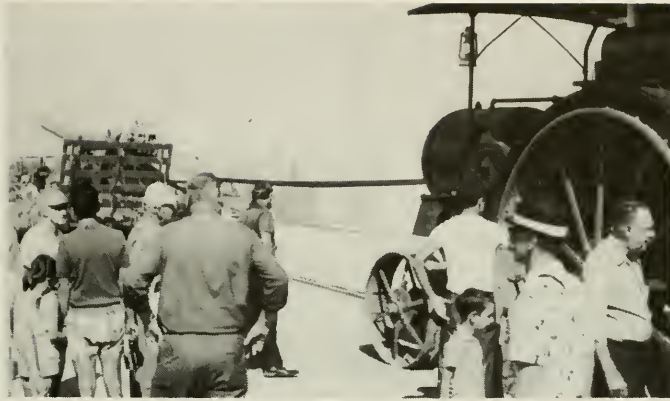


1929 International--Tom Gregory--Bethany



Old fashioned threshing machine threshing oats.





Old Faithful chugs right along.



See how it was done years ago.



Do you need a friend, Esther?



Looks like you've got company. Watch them deputy.



This is the line up. Look them over good judges.



GRAND CHAMPION WINNER  
John Kellogg



#### FULL BEARD & MUSTACHE

- 1st-- John Kellogg
- 2nd-- Jim Bales
- 3rd-- Phil Baer
- 4th-- Paul Fleener



#### MISCELLANEOUS BEARDS

- 1st-- Jim Hodge
- 2nd-- Bob Gibson
- 3rd-- Bob Wolfe
- 4th-- Elmer Yahey



# BEST BEARD OF AREA

1st--Red Phillips, Mansfield

2nd--James Mann, Hammond

3rd--Charles Bobbitt, Ham-  
mond

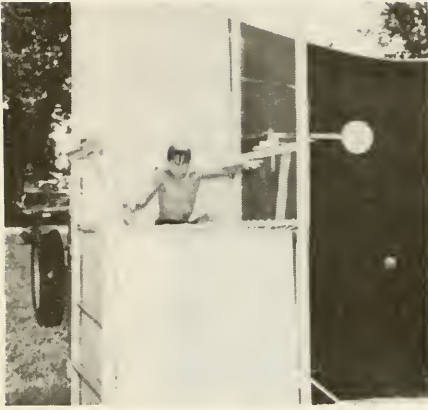
4th--Bert Dyer, Hammond



Aren't we a bunch of handsome fellows? My wife doesn't think so.







Down you go!



Bros. of Brush, Deputies and some Beard Winners



Are you ready for the big splash?







# ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Front row: Harriett Holmes, Sherrie Long, Kim Standerfer, Catherine Mahannah. 2nd row: Debbie DeVore, Gerald Wildman, Jas. Crowe. 3rd row: Lonnie Conner, John Burcham, Randy Decker, Tony Conner & Geo. Ruff, Chm.

Two Teen Dances were held, one on Fri. and one on Sat. night. We were unable to obtain pictures due to the lighting.



Swing your partner, Dick.



Betty DeVore and others get in the swing.



What's a Saturday night without a square dance?



Fern Gibson and Ginny Legge  
were in charge of decorating  
windows with antiques.



Displayed in bank.



Display in laundromat.



Display in Rost Tire Storage Building.



Display in old Ponder Seed Store.

## United Church Worship



### WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Seated: Pauline Dick, Charlie Fleener, Lois Wolfe. Standing: Harold Huffman, Paul Fleener, Dale Pease and Jack Simmons. Not present, Corwin Hill.



Ushers: Harold Huffman, Ted Sawyer, Phil Baer, Harold Montgomery, Loran Patrick and Corwin Hill.



Lois Wolfe, Organist.



### HAMMOND CENTENNIAL

Sunday, July 29, 1973

10 a.m. Service of Worship  
12:30 p.m., Harvest Home Picnic Dinner  
2 p.m. Activities, games and contests  
at school for children and adults.  
Model Airplane Demonstration

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Hymn Medley	Mrs. Louise Primmer
Organ Prelude "God of our Fathers"	Wilson
*Hymn of Praise "Old Hundredth"	(words on back)
*Call to Worship	Brother L. Dale Pease
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer	
Words of Welcome	George Ruff
*Hymn "Sing Them Over Again To Me"	
History of Baptist Church	
Introduction of Special Guests	Jack Simmons
Special Music "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"	
Harvest Home Quartet	
History of Church of Christ	Charles Fleener
Introduction of Special Guests	
Special Music "Precious Memories"	Quartet
History of United Methodist Church	Betty Brown
Introduction of Special Guests	
*Hymn "Standing on the Promises"	
Introduction of Speaker	George Ruff
Message "Reflections on a Hundred Years"	Paul Osborne
Hymn of Dedication "Blest Be The Tie"	
*Benediction	Darrell Bolin
*Postlude "America, The Beautiful"	Denton
*The congregation standing	

## DIRECTORY

Organist	Lois Wolfe	Ushers
Song Leader	Paul Fleener	
Master of Ceremonies	George Ruff	Corwin Hill
Ministers	L. Dale Pease	Ted Sawyer
	Darrell Bolin	Harold Huffman
		Bob Rost
		Harold Montgomery
Ushers	David Traxler	Loran Patrick
	Richard Brown	
	Bob Stiehl	
	Joe Wolfe	





Betty Brown, the Harvest Quartet, Joe Wolfe, Bob Stiehl, Dick Brown and David Traxler; Rev. O'Herron and George Ruff.



Paul Osborne, Rev. Dale Pease, Charles Fleener, Jack Simmons and Darrell Bolin.



Paul Fleener leads congregational singing.



Views of the crowd gathered for services in the park.





Congregation stands for a hymn.



A scene of the congregation before services start.



Helen cut that pie in equal pieces.



A cake depicting the Seal.





Jimmy and Kristine Ponder



Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Decker and Family.



Bob and Peggy, where's your balloon?



Orville and Charlotte Scott, their son Jim and family, and others enjoy their picnic lunch.





That line sure looks long, hope they leave some for us.



Eating and visiting is a very nice way to spend an afternoon.



Who would guess, that the photographer even likes to eat.

## Sunday Games



CHILDREN GAMES COMMITTEE: Front: Frank Conner, Chm.; Nicki Hodge, Faye Mit-

chell. Back: James Parsley, Jim Hodge, Bill Mitchell and Ike Johnson.



Also on Committee: Miriam Catron and Bertha Parsley.



Blow up your balloon



Run to string and return and burst your balloon.





Pushing potatoes with their noses.



Unwrap your bubble gum.



Chew fast and hard and make a bubble.





Oh, no! Greased watermelons.



Grab it, Kurt!







The little ones line up for the sack race.



James & Bertha Parsley watch the games.



Oh! Looks like Kurt is getting help.



Phil Baer passes out ribbons.



Kurt's fellow racers look a little weary as they pose with Orville and Irene.



Shoot high.



Jan, your not a watermelon.



WINNERS IN VARIOUS GAMES





**ADULT GAMES COMMITTEE:**  
Front: Mary and Frank Conner,  
Chm.; Jan Sawyer. Back: Or-

ville and Irene West, Nicki and  
Jim Hodge, Ken Sawyer and  
Harold Montgomery.



What's next, Frank?



Ladies, make those sacks jump.



All set, Kay?



Winner by a mile.



Men, can you bet us?





Raw egg pitching contest.



It's getting harder.



Egg pitching winners, Faye and Bill Mitchell.



Kay wins a cake in the cakewalk.







Keep that circle moving.



Bob Boylan finally wins a cake.



Horseshoe pitching.



Give it a hard pitch!



Some of the contestants and winners.

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Push, run faster fellows.



The gals bring them back.



Looks almost like a tie.



The ladies have their bubble gum blowing contest, BLOW!

**HARRY PORTER**  
Country Companies, Agent  
Bement

**DICKS PHARMACY**  
Arthur





Ladies and girls get their grip on the rope for the tug-o-war.



Pull men!



Well, well, what happened men?







Viewers watch the childrens and adults games.



Line up for the sack race.



Off we go!



Model airplane demonstration.





Sheriff chats with wife, Minnie Auer and Yeakleys.



Charming old fashioned couple Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Stillabower.



Mr. Hammond and niece, Mrs. Alva Fleener, watch Magic Show.



Ellie and Bob Winning, Rockville, Ind., pose beside his oil paintings.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lowe and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fleener discuss parade plans.



Hammond 1973 Softball Team.



Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Adcock



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rigg

## *25th Wedding Anniversaries*

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Casteel



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Conner





## *Oldest Residents*



Hattie East--99 years old.



Mrs. Ora Smith will be 96 in November.



Left--Lena Gentry--84. Right--Maggie Askins--82



Brady Sanders--85



Left--Meta Ruddock--87.



Right--Lillian Legge--83.





Robert Adams--78.



Earl Evans--87.

Fred South--81 and Grace South --79.



Jose Woods --92.



Guy Foreman--88.



## *Hammond Business Places*



HAMMOND POST OFFICE



BROWN'S APARTMENTS AND VILLAGE HALL



ATWOOD-HAMMOND JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL



HAMMOND FIRE DEPT



BROWN & ASSOCIATES, HEATING



FLEENER'S COUNTRY STUDIO



GERALDINE'S BEAUTY SHOP



MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH



HAMMOND CHURCH OF CHRIST



YEAKLEY'S MARKET



STANDARD OIL BULK PLANT



ROBERTSON SHELL SERVICE, CONOUR RESTAURANT,  
CONNER'S 66 STATION AND ROST'S CHEVROLET



ALDA'S BEAUTY SHOP



PIATT COUNTY FARM SERVICE



MARATHON BULK PLANT



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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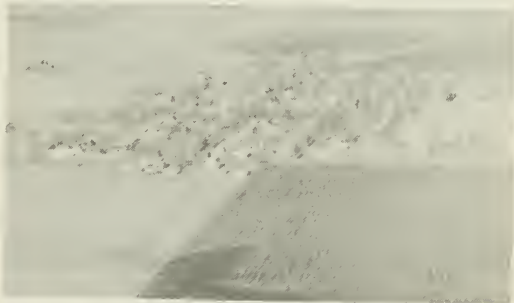




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AERIAL VIEW OF HAMMOND



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STATE BANK OF HAMMOND



WEST ELEVATOR 1973



DEPOT AND WATER WORKS



EAST ELEVATOR 1973



GOLDIE'S BEAUTY SHOP



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SILVER COINS AUCTIONED  
OFF TO:

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Craig Chapman  
Brown Rivers  
Glenn Fisher  
Charlie Fleener  
Harold Huffman  
Harold Ponder  
Ronnie Eagan  
Jim Morris  
Eskridge Agency  
Verlyn Bolin  
Gelene Fleener

OTHER SILVER COIN  
PURCHASERS:

Helen Harding  
Harold Ponder  
Maud Ponder  
Arvol Hale  
Flossie Helfrich  
Charles Willey  
Dorthea Stillabower  
Hiram Patterson  
John Watkins  
Arville Binder  
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Esther Willey  
Mike Ferguson  
Catherine Conner  
Lyle Adcock  
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Charles Fleener

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Centennial Family, Mr. and  
Mrs. Wm. Arbuckle, Kim and  
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Best Beard winner, John  
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## Memorials



**John W. Dick Family**

Mr. John W. Dick and Maria Benard were married in 1892. He was associated in the hardware business with Mrs. J. A. Bryson for awhile, but farming near Hammond was the main occupation in which he was engaged for the greater part of his life. This picture, taken in 1899, shows them with Homer, Carl and Vern. Earl was born two years later. Mrs. Dick died in 1934 but Mr. Dick lived to be 79 years of age.



**Homer C. Dick**

Homer C. Dick was born in Hammond Sept. 9, 1897, and died Oct. 21, 1966. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dick. He married Alpha James in 1924 in Bloomington, Ill. They had two children, Beverly and Shirelyn. He operated the Prairie Oil Co. for 25 years, then farmed south of Hammond for several years.



**Vernon Frederick Dick**

Vernon Frederick Dick was born March 6, 1895 and died in 1953 at the age of 58. He married in 1918 to Florence Marie Dick of Decatur and served as 2nd Lt. in World War I. His work was farming but his loves were shuffleboard and fishing and he excelled at all three.



**Ray B. Ponder**

Ray B. Ponder was born June 24, 1888, to John Riley and Elizabeth Bolin Ponder. He died June 1969. Ray spent most of life in Hammond and for many years was engaged in farming and producing hybrid seed corn. He was mayor of Hammond for several years. His two sons, Joseph and Harold reside in Hammond and are also farmers. Sharon, Gregg, Jimmy, and Kristine are grandchildren of Mr. Ponder.



**Carl A. Dick**

Carl A. Dick was born in 1893 in Hammond and died in 1947. He married Essie Bandy in 1927. They had two children, John and Ellen, and a stepson Leonard. He was engaged in farming. He belonged to the Lovington Masons and Shrine Consistory at Springfield.



**Earl L. Dick**

Earl L. Dick married Pauline Poole in February 1928. They lived south of Hammond on a farm until a few months before his death when he was 57 years of age. They had two children, Sam and Carol, and five grandchildren.



**Everett "Porky" Ferguson**

Everett "Porky" Ferguson was born August 1897 and died in 1952. He came to Hammond in

1917. In 1925 he married Bob McQueen of Newman. They had three children, Eugene, Betty,

and Mike. Porky made his living doing custom farm work.



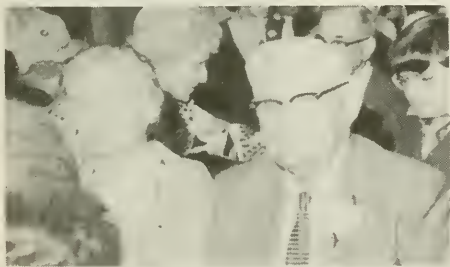
**Raymond "Blackie" Yeast**

Raymond "Blackie" Yeast was born in 1891 and died in January 1973. The Yeast family came to Hammond from Fairfield, Ill., in 1919. They drove here with this team of horses. Blackie was a blacksmith and did butchering. Mr. and Mrs. Yeast had five girls and one son.



**Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Reedy**

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Reedy. Mike was born 1887 and died in 1942. Anna was born in 1893 and died February 1973. They moved from the Dalton City area in 1921 to a farm northwest of Hammond. They had two girls, Mary Adams and Mildred, who still lives on the home place.



**Albert C. Fisher**

Albert C. Fisher was born on the Fisher Farm northwest of Hammond March 1886. He married Effie Griswold September 1908 and they moved into the family home, then owned by his parents, William and Carletta Duel Fisher. A. C. attended Browns Business College in Decatur but farmed until his death, at the age of 86. They had five children, Hazel, Everett, Glenn, who live in the Hammond area; Beatrice, California; and Albert, Jr., who was killed in service. In February 1947 Albert purchased the Troy Medaris farm north of Hammond. May 1972 Albert was fatally injured in a car accident and Effie died soon after in August 1972. They spent their entire life in the Hammond area.



**Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lowe**

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lowe lived and farmed northeast of Hammond. Mr. Lowe was born in 1877 and died 1946. Mrs. Lowe was born in 1877 and died in 1958. They had 10 children, eight of whom are still living. They are Mamie Dolan, Florence Mack, Lester, Cora Quinlan, Fern Chenoweth, Doratheia Stillabower and Bob.



**James Isaac Fleener**

James Isaac Fleener came to Illinois from Indiana in 1918 at the age of 16. From 1929 to 1946 he owned and managed Mobil Service Stations and Bulk Plant in the Hammond area. They were in Pierson Station on Route 36; Hammond, where the present Phillips 66 is and LaPlace, where the Wheel Inn Cafe is and the Phillips 66 Bulk Plant is. In 1946 he left

the gas business and owned and operated tourist resorts in Minnesota and Canada, until 1958. Upon retirement he moved to Fort Myers, Fla., where he lived until his death Oct. 28, 1963. His wife, Mildred Hupp Fleener, still lives there. Jim, of Hammond, and Alva, Sr., Monticello, are his two sons. There are four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**Gerald Butler**

Gerald Butler settled in Hammond May 1943, as a section foreman, for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. He was active in church work as Sunday School Supt., lay leader and helped design and construct the present Methodist parsonage. The last

two years of his life he turned to being a building contractor. He was a Boy Scout leader at the time of his death in December of 1962. His survivors are his wife, Margaret; his daughter, Glenna Harris; and three grandchildren all of atwood.



**Alzona and Anna Chenoweth**



Alzona was born Sept. 26, 1869, and died Dec. 27, 1929. He came to Illinois from Indiana. In January 1888 he married Anna Cunningham. She was born Nov. 15, 1869, in Cob County, Mo., and died Dec. 26, 1968. Alzona worked at the Hammond elevator for 30 years. They were parents of 12 children, eight of them still surviving. They are Blanche Black, Etta Waddell, Donald and Paul of Atwood. Loren and Fred live in Decatur, Roy in California and Opal Vickers in New Mexico.





**Zella Traxler**

Zella was born July 14, 1897, and died Aug. 25, 1970. He married Hester Latch March 15, 1919. She was born Nov. 20, 1897, and died April 21, 1945. On Feb. 21, 1959, he married Lena Eads, who still lives in Hammond. Hester served as

president, from 1940-42 of the Hammond Women's Club. Zella owned and drove the first school bus and was the fire truck driver on night call. He also was the first superintendent of the water works. He worked on the highway for the State of



**HESTER LATCH TRAXLER**

Illinois and Dr. Lewis at "Friendship" until he retired and moved to Hammond. His children are Jean Fulk, Mary Swam and Louise Brown, Decatur, and Lois Kern, Bloomington.



**SARAH AND GRANT BURNETT**

Grant was born in 1867 and died in 1952. Sarah was born in 1873 and died in 1943. Mr. Burnett farmed and had truck gardens. Also hauled cobs and coal for people. They had six children, now all deceased but Nellie, Tuscola, and Louise, Hammond. Otto, Otis, Emma and Ella Mae are dead.



**MR AND MRS HUGH RUDDOCK, SR.**

They were both born in Missouri. Before moving to their farm north of Hammond, they lived at Oreana near the Union Church. Five children were born, with three dying at an early age. Frank and Pete, sons, farmed the land in later years and Mr. and Mrs. Ruddock moved to Hammond. Mr. Ruddock died in 1939, and she in 1940.



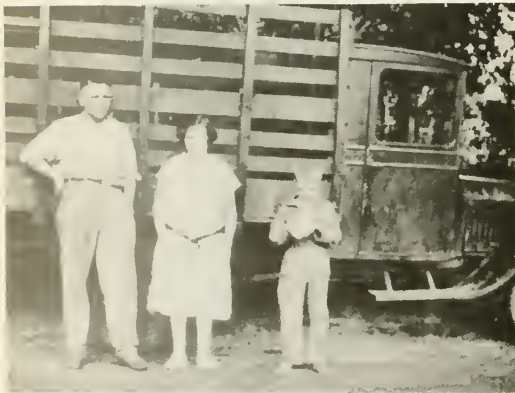
**Hugh "Pete" Ruddock**

Hugh "Pete" Ruddock, Jr. was born 1886 and died 1962 at the age of 76. He married Metta Wodden and raised three children, Pauline Bobbitt, Thelma Carter and Raymond. He lived on their farm north of Hammond and Mrs. Ruddock still lives there and does most of her work.



**Besse Griswold Adams**

Besse Griswold Adams was born in Platt County in 1889 and died 1966. She married Robert Adams Aug. 21, 1919. Besides being a housewife, she managed the 36 Cafe for several years. Her children are Lynden, Walter and Charlotte Mathes. She has seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



**Raymond and Goldie Stillabower**

Raymond and Goldie Stillabower came to Illinois from Indiana in the early 1920's. Stilly was born Feb. 21, 1897 and died May 24, 1963. Goldie was born Nov. 1, 1896 and died May 4, 1958. He was owner of Stilly's Place and in later years did trucking. They had two sons, Norman, deceased, and Eugene, Hammond. They had three grandchildren.



**Mr. and Mrs. Wm. I. Bolin**

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. I. Bolin lived in Hammond over 75 years. They were the parents of nine children, all reared in Hammond. Of the seven living, three live here.

A memorial tribute to our parents and our hometown and to all others who like to call Hammond home .



**Otis Burnett**

Otto was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Burnett. He died in 1939 at the age of 49. He was one of Hammond's early businessmen. He owned and operated an Egg, Poultry, Cream and Ice Store plus moving and trucking. Of four sons, three are living. They live in Michigan, Decatur and Marshall, Ill.



**CARL C. BAER**

Mr. Baer was born Nov. 1, 1903, and died Dec. 25, 1956. He moved to Hammond in the early 50's from Maroa, Ill. Farming was his livelihood, but he also was a graduate of the University of Ill., Sunday School Superintendent, member of the school board and Farm Bureau. Frances, his wife; Phillip and Mary Ellen, his children, live in Hammond. Leonard, a son, lives in Owings, Maryland.



**Wm. H. Silver**

Wm. H. Silver was born in Logan, Ohio in 1865. At the age of seven he came with his parents to a farm in Moultrie County, south of Hammond. In 1895 he married Maude Faris. Nine children were born to them, with seven still surviving. He farmed, did custom machine work and later was in dredge work with C. A. Bunyan. In 1903 he retired and the family moved to their home in Hammond, now owned by Paul Whobrey. Mrs. Silver passed away in 1910 and Mr. Silver died in 1918. Their children are Geneva, Estella, Pearl, Mary, Nellie, Ruth and Paul. Ward and George are now deceased.





**Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ohler**

A loving tribute to the memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. (Gus) Ohler who came to the Hammond community in the middle 1880's and resided for 40 years on the Charles Traver farm, northwest of Hammond. Their remaining years they lived in the village of Hammond. They are the paternal grandparents of Grace Moberly.

**Wm. H. Broyles**

Wm. H. Broyles came with his family to this community in the early 1880's. He did not always live here, but his interests were in farming west of town. This tribute to his memory is given by his granddaughter, Grace Moberly.



**OTTO BURNETT**

Otis Burnett was born on Feb. 12, 1897. His parents were Grant and Sarah Burnett. He died March 12, 1962. Otis never married. He earned his living as a farmhand and hauling trash. It is reported that he was a very dependable worker on various farm crews.





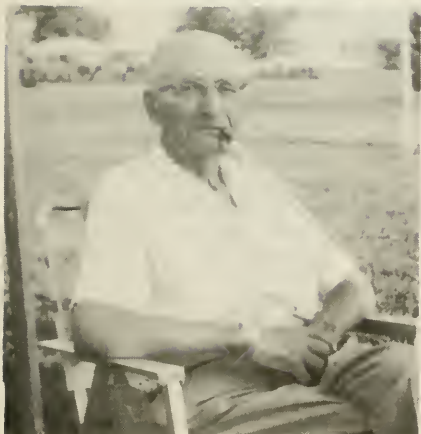
**Lambert Larson**

Lambert Larson was born in Bement March 13, 1913, and died July 1957. On Dec. 24, 1940 he married Georgia Wall, a Bement girl. They had two children, Mrs. Mike (Polly) Ferguson, and a son, Lambert, Jr., a junior in Bement High School. He was a Bement and Hammond area farmer, living just north of Hammond for several years. Mr. Larson was active in the Hammond PTA and was on the Board of Directors of the Voorhies Grain Co. This picture of Lynn was taken in 1955 during Bement's Centennial. He won second prize for the best full beard.



**H. Ward "Deac" Silver**

H. Ward "Deac" Silver was born Sept. 3, 1897, in Moultrie County to Wm. H. and Maude Farris Silver. In 1903 he moved with his parents when they retired from their farm and moved to their home in Hammond. He attended Hammond Public Schools, and later worked as a machinist, road work, did custom shelling and threshing in the Hammond area. In 1922 he was married to Maude Van Vleet and their home has always been on C and 8th St. In 1928 he was elected Unity Twshp. road commissioner and faithfully fulfilled that office until his death in February 1965. A son, Van A., wife and four children reside at Ballwin, Mo., in St. Louis Co.



**Mr. and Mrs. William Schuman**

Mr. and Mrs. William Schuman were held in high esteem in the community. They farmed near Hammond, but moved to town in the early 20's. "Billy" was a farmer, operated a meat market, land owner and a livestock dealer. He was especially gifted in making appraisals for land, properties and livestock. The community valued his knowledge as an appraiser. They had a great love for children and shared their home with nieces and a nephew. A daughter Ruth Doran resides in Denver, Colo. Mrs. Schuman died in August 1940, and Mr. Schuman in August 1970 at the age of 87.



**Charles C. Willey**

Charles C. Willey was born May 15, 1888, and died Dec. 14, 1945. Charles moved from Indiana to Illinois in 1910 and farmed until 1931. They returned to Indiana for a period of time. In 1943 he came back

to Illinois and remain until his death. He was married to Alma E. Day, who survives and lives in Hammond. They had four children, Mrs. Helen Harding and Paul R. of Hammond and John, Lovington, who lives on

the home place, and Mrs. Ethel Beiss, Raytown, Mo. The above picture was taken in 1929 of "Charley" on his new wheat shocker, a new type of machinery at that time.

**James W. Bandy**

James W. Bandy was born in Indiana in 1854, and married Eliza J. Smith in 1882. He moved to Illinois in 1870 and lived in Moultrie County the rest of his life. They were the parents of Mrs. Essie Dick.



**Millard Keith DeVore**

Millard Keith DeVore was born Aug. 22, 1899, and died Aug. 4, 1962. He married Esther Merris on June 19, 1919. Their children are Veda Huffman, Champaign; Margorie Haws, Lovington; Charles, Crawfordsville, Ind.; and Dean, Hammond. Keith had 16 grandchildren, three of them being Debra, Barbara and David DeVore. He lived and farmed in the Hammond area 40 years and was a member of LaPlace Methodist Church, Moultrie Co. Farm Bureau and Masons. He also was a trustee of Hammond Fire Dept. at one time.

**Leonard D. Coward**

Leonard D. Coward was born in 1912 and was married to Eileen Dillon in 1938. They have three sons, Lynn, Larry and Mike. One son, Ronnie, died in infancy. Leonard farmed south of Hammond until his death in January, 1973.

**David Yakey**

In the year 1911, Mr. and Mrs. David Yakey left farming north-east of Hammond and became successor to F. T. Clark in Coal, Tile, Salt, Hay and Small Grain business. He remained in business until the depression. They had 13 children, two yet remaining in Hammond. They are Alda Jones and Elmer. He was active in civic affairs and was ticket seller for Hammond Homecoming Picnics. He passed away in April of 1952.

## BIRTHS AS OF SEPTEMBER 15, 1973

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Alexander,  
a boy, Frederick Andrew.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kurr, a  
girl, Melissa.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dial, a  
girl, Denise.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hodge,  
a boy, Kory.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beery, a  
boy, Michael Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Slade, a  
girl, Jennifer Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fagen, a  
boy, Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dale, a son,  
James.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cole, a  
girl, Michelle Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ryherd,  
a boy, Doug.

Maybe we should change our  
population signs. Congratulations,  
parents.

The following newspaper clipping was turned in to the committee, and we thought it might interest some of our youngsters in just how you might have earned a little spending money a few years ago.

"On Friday afternoon we interviewed H. W. Silver regard-

ing how he made his first money. He tells us that he and his brother, Paul, were employed by F. W. Taylor, who had the contract for tearing down and rebuilding the B. Y. Vanhook property which is now occupied by Phil Greenwood and family. The Silver boys, then 8 and 10 years old, were employed to clean lath and bricks. They received 10 cents per hundred for their work."

If you think it's hard to get your education and graduate these days, you haven't heard anything yet.

## THE GRADUATES

In 1920 Hammond High School held graduation exercises for the class completing it's two year course. In 1921 it graduated many of this group from it's newly formed three year course. To complete a four year high school course it was necessary to attend a larger high school. Four area residents have the honor of graduating three times to finish their high school education. They are Flossie Helfrich, Grace Broyles Moberly, Maud Eskridge Ponder and Lewis Moberly.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the Scrapbook Committee we hope this book will be one of the most treasured souvenirs you have purchased this centennial year. It was our intent and purpose to put in as many pictures as possible and include as many families and people as possible. If you have been left out, we apologize. Also, we gave some special recognitions. If you weren't mentioned, we weren't aware of your part you played to help make the centennial a success, and we now take this time to thank you. To our advertisers we thank you, because you have made this book possible.

Gelene Fleener, Chairman

While the efforts of everyone who helped with this book are appreciated, we are especially grateful to the chairman of this project. For the many many hours of time and energy we say a special thanks to a very special girl--Gelene Fleener.

The Committee





























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